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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kyung-Chool CHOI et al.

Serial No.: 10/667,499

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For: INKJET PRINTER COMPRISING A
DISCHARGE/HEATER ROLLER

Group Art Unit: 2853

Examiner: M. Shah

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the December 21, 2005 Office Action, claims 1-11 are rejected. In view of the following comments, reconsideration and allowance are requested. A Substitute Declaration is submitted herewith to correct a clerical error.

Rejection of Claims 1-5

Claims 1-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over the alleged admitted prior art in the specification in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,004,052 to Muranaka and U.S. Patent No. 5,420,621 to Richtsmeier et al.

The alleged admitted prior art in the specification is cited for disclosing a conventional printer having a heated roller downstream of the printer. Richtsmeier et al. is cited for disclosing a star wheel in connection with a roller. Muranaka is cited for disclosing a heated roller upstream of the print head to remove moisture from the paper. The rejection is based on the

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